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1. In early April 1951 Phan Anh, Minister of Economy of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV), left North Vietnam for Cantho, South Vietnam. He was accompanied by the head of the Light Industries Services Department, the head of the Agricultural Services Department and three aides. At a meeting of the Sino-Vietnamese Committee of War Against Aggression in Cantho, Anh made the following observations on the economic situation in DRV-controlled zones:

- a. Because farm output in South Vietnam during the past year has been much lower than in North Vietnam, it has been difficult to improve the living conditions of the peasants.
- b. Over-emphasis on the production of military supplies has caused the development of light industries and the production of textiles and medical supplies to be neglected. A more balanced production must be maintained in order to continue the war.

2. After the meeting, Anh and his party visited textile mills and repair plants in Bac Lieu, Rach Gia, Go Cong and Tra Vinh. They left for North Vietnam on 11 April.

3. In early May 1951, the DRV National Land Reform Committee decided to initiate a series of experimental land reform projects in 20 areas of North Vietnam. The projects, to be begun in June, are scheduled for completion before the fall harvest. The experiment will be supervised by 40 trainees selected from the two Land Reform Study Groups of Thai Nguyen and Bac Kan and is designed to gain experience on which to base an extensive land reform program throughout North Vietnam.

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